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May grads anxious to receive more info

By Gail Marinelli
Staff Writer

Graduation is right around the corner and many students think the University is taking too long to make commencement information available to seniors.

"I'm more informed about the drink specials at the Monkey Barrel than I am about my own graduation," said senior Larry Beardmore.

Many seniors said their families need to make reservations for the event but are unable to do so without knowing the date, time or how many people they can invite.

"It's not like I have graduated from college before, so I don't know what I'm doing," said senior Suzanne McArdle.

According to Provost Project Manager Tammy Gharbi, seniors should be expecting information in the mail sometime in March. "We are waiting for numbers of graduates from the registrar's office in order to calculate how many tickets will be given out to each senior," Gharbi said.

The University recently updated their website. The Grad Fair which is held in the Bookstore will be held Mar. 8 through 10 between the hours of 9am and 6pm. Here seniors can place orders for their cap and gown, nursing pin, and other graduation items. Grad Fair Pick Up will be held on Apr. 20-21 from 9am to 6pm and Apr. 22 from 9am to 4pm. At this time graduates can pick up ordered items and tickets.

The big day takes place on Saturday May 21st at the Wicomico Youth Center. See GRADS on page 2

Salisbury shows sure signs of booming growth and development



Chris Baum/Flyer Photographer

The new Uno Chicago Grill opened Thursday on East Cedar Lane in Fruitland. The restaurant created new jobs for SU students and even provides easy curbside pick-up. Based in Boston, Uno Restaurant Holdings Corporation (URHC) has a system of over 200 full-service company-owned and franchised Uno Chicago Grill restaurants. Locations can be found in 32 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, South Korea and the United Arab Emirates. URHC also operates a consumer foods division, which supplies airlines, movie theatres, hotels and retail stores with private label and Uno branded products throughout the world. The corner on East Cedar Lane is rumored to have more in the works, such as a bank and a hotel. Look for more details on development in Salisbury and how it is affecting students in the next issue.

SU Amnesty International Chapter focuses on genocide

By Shane Jacobus
Freelance Reporter

A handful of SU students are striving to make the campus chapter of Amnesty International (AI) much more visible to their classmates this semester. AI is a worldwide group of individuals whose stated goal is to protect basic human rights as delineated in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

Many critics argue that AI's reporting reflects an ideological bias, specifically regarding the war in Iraq. Many say AI has disproportionately criticized U.S. military action while overlooking the numerous human

rights violations committed by former Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein. Regardless of these allegations the SU chapter is currently focusing on an issue that all students and faculty on this campus might actually agree on.

"Our main focus this semester will be the human rights crisis in Sudan," said Gwynne Harper, President of SUAI. "Yes, there was recently a treaty signed, but that treaty has no impact on the Darfur region, which is the area under recent controversy."

In February 2003, the Sudanese government, with support from

Arab Janjaweed militias, began a brutal campaign of ethnic cleansing in the western region of Darfur. Tens of thousands of Africans native to this region have been mercilessly slaughtered or starved to death as a result of this crisis. The rest of the African populace, over one million people, have either fled to neighboring Chad or been internally displaced. Here they are living in overcrowded camps where they are still open to abuse from the Janjaweed.

The U.N. has done called on the Sudanese government to rectify itself of this injustice, but they seem disin-

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Students lend a helping hand to those stricken by Tsunami

By Meredith Maguire
Staff Writer

Salisbury University students and faculty are lending a helping hand to those stricken by the recent Tsunami.

"I think it is important for students and faculty to go that extra step, because people need our help this minute; it's urgent," said Resident Director of Chester Hall, John Verdi.

With the help of the American Red Cross, hundreds of dollars have been collected on campus and sent to assist those suffering. Verdi approached the organization because

he said that so much is done for long term Cancer and AIDS relief, he thought it was important to assist those anguished in natural disaster.

Many students have contributed privately to numerous organizations with one common goal, helping those who have lost everything. "My Church had collection plates out every Sunday, and I've seen cans in convenient stores," said sophomore Colleen Evans. Americans alone have donated millions of dollars to the relief effort.

The National American Red Cross has recently collected \$325 million; its quota for Tsunami relief," said

Salisbury Chapter American Red Cross Director Patty McCabe. Donations are still being accepted; however, no more campaigns will be organized to raise money for the cause.

"In hindsight of tragedies such as 9/11, many charitable foundations have found that it is more affect to work separately rather than against one another," said McCabe. For this reason the American Red Cross will be the only organization collecting on campus. Cash, Checks, or Money Orders can be sent to 1505 Emerson Avenue, Salisbury, MD. Please be sure to include a letter

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THE MONKEY BARREL

THE bar for college students ~ student discount/ \$3 cover exclusively with SU ID ~ Kitchen opening this month, all of your favorite foods at all your favorite prices daily specials ☺ happy hour 4-8pm ☺ power hour 8-9pm

Route 13, across from SU

News briefs

SUMMER 2005 PROGRAM IN CHINA. Anyone interested in studying in China should plan to attend the information session on Thursday, February 17th (Holloway Hall 114) at 3:30pm. The offered course is MGMT 338 Special Topics in Management: International Management (prerequisite BUAD 320 or permission). In addition to SU's study abroad scholarships, five scholarships of \$500 each will be dedicated to this program. For more information, contact Dr. Hong Yao 410 543-6327 or Rob Hallworth 410 548-5782.

SU FACULTY TO HOLD WOMAN'S HISTORY MONTH DISCUSSION. Dr. Kristen Walton, SU history faculty, hosts a Brown Bag Lunch Discussion on "A Woman in a Man's Position: Switching Genders in Early Modern Europe," at noon Wednesday, March 9, in the Social Room of Holloway Hall. For more information, call 410-543-6030.

BUSINESS WORKSHOPS. The Small Business Development Center at Salisbury University offers two interactive workshops in co-sponsorship with a local firm, Cedarman Inc. Both courses are from 9 a.m.-12 in Room 220 of the Power Professional Building at the corner Power and Wayne streets. The fee for each is \$25, including materials. Veteran marketing professional Terry Cohen teaches the workshops. To register, call the SBDC Training Office at 410-543-6516.

BACH TO THE FUTURE CONCERT. Bach to the Future (BTFF) presents a performance 8 p.m. on Feb. 26 at Salisbury University's Great Hall of Holloway Hall. The public also is invited to a pre-concert conversation with BTFF and Music Director Richard Allen Roe at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available in advance for \$12 from Crackerjacks in Easton or for \$15 at the door. SU ID holders are admitted free. Funding for this event is provided by the SU Department of Music, the Talbot County Arts Council and the Maryland State Arts Council. For more information call 410-543-6030.

WHALE RIDER SCREENING. In commemoration of woman's history month, Dr. Elsie Walker of the English Department leads a discussion and screening of the New Zealand film, Whale Rider 7 p.m. Thursday, March 10 in Fulton Hall room 111. This award-winning film tells the story of a young girl who becomes the new leader for her tribe. Admission is free and the public is invited. For more information call 410-543-6030.

To ad to the News Briefs section e-mail your press release or blurb to flyernews@salisbury.edu. Deadline for submission is Friday at 3 p.m..

Students debate the truth behind Valentine's Day

By Stacie Doan
Staff Writer

It's that time of year again, the one day of the year which is devoted towards displaying adoration and affection to your special someone via boxes of chocolates, red roses, silk boxers and I heart you cards.

Despite all the positive and romantic intent this alleged "Hallmark" holiday offers, many people continue to frown upon the existence of Valentine's Day; it has even been cynically renamed "single-awareness day". It is unfortunate that there is so much animosity for the one holiday that exemplifies love. Many dislike Valentine's Day because they believe it only benefits those who are in a relationship or married, and even then it is acknowledged as more of a holiday directed towards women.

"There's too much pressure on boys to do something nice for their girlfriends, and too much expecta-

tion on the girlfriend's behalf for her boy to do something for her," said senior Caitlin Harman. "And then single people just want to hide until the 15th rolls around because it's shameful to be single while everyone else is walking around with flowers."

You don't have to be single to dislike Valentine's Day. There are some who have a significant other, yet still condemn this holiday.

"It's a stupid, overrated made up holiday," said junior Kelly Longenecker. "I say that while having a boyfriend who will go out of his way to make it the most special day."

According to the Greeting Card Association, Valentine's Day is the second largest card sending holiday of the year. An estimated one billion Valentine cards are sent each year compared to an estimated 2.6 billion sent for Christmas. Many feel that this day is a conspiracy brought on by the chocolate candy companies and card manufacturers.

ing are held on Mondays at 9 p.m. in the Scarborough Leadership House, room 204. To learn more about the Sudan crisis and other issues visit www.amnestyusa.org.

TSUNAMI: Students lend a hand in relief fundraising

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notifying them that you want your donation to be sent to the Tsunami Relief. Contributions can also be made online at www.unicefusa.org through The United States Fund for UNICEF.

For students who might be interested in joining SUAI, weekly meet-

If this is a day to demonstrate adoration towards someone you care about, it is often possible to do so without spending money. From the view point of college students who are balancing finances such as rent, books and bills, this day can just be another source of tension and aggravation.

"I don't really have a problem with it (Valentine's Day), but it's more money I have to spend," said senior Jimmy Kennedy, "a simple I love you should do."

The alleged history of this day dates back to the patron saint Valentine or Valentinus, a Catholic priest who served in ancient Rome around the ruling of Emperor Claudius II. Claudius claimed that single men made better soldiers than those with families and wives and outlawed marriage to young men who were assumed to be the best suited soldiers. This outraged Valentine, and he continued to

marry young couples regardless of the new law. Unfortunately, Claudius discovered his actions and ordered that he be put to death. Another legend confirms that Valentine actually fell in love while in prison to the jailer's daughter and sent her love letters signed "from your Valentine," a popular phrase still used today. February 14th dates the day which Valentine was executed and now results in gift exchanges to your special someone.

"It's nice to have a day dedicated to your significant other but I would rather sit at home and watch a movie than go all out with flowers and teddy bears and a dinner that costs half of your tuition," said senior Lauren Farri.

Source: www.history.com

Authors developing new book ideas seek student submissions

Press Release

Gonzaga University seniors Rob Grabow and Dean Robbins, who have successfully compiled, edited, and published the nonpartisan political and social anthology titled "What We Think: Young Voters Speak Out," are working on two new books and seek submissions.

The two entrepreneurial students' first book, an anthology of essays, poems and prose, included submissions from 90 students at nearly 70 colleges and universities nationwide. "What We Think," and its authors also have garnered some significant print and broadcast media coverage, including stories on CNN, MSNBC and two 75-minute airings on CSPAN-Book TV.

Now, Grabow and Robbins - joined by recent University of Oregon graduate Seth Spores - are again seeking submissions from students ages 17-25 for their next two books, "What We Think 2" and "What We Think About God."

Submissions will be accepted from all political and religious ideologies. All universities with students whose work is published in either of the books will be credited in the book. In all, the editorial trio expect that 100 to 150 students will be featured in each of the upcoming books. Both books are expected to be on the market in early fall 2005. To learn more visit www.collegietreepublishing.com.

For more information, contact Seth Spores, Rob Grabow or Dean Robbins at (509) 483-4079 or via e-mail at seth@collegietreepublishing.com or rob@collegietreepublishing.com or visit their Web site at <http://www.collegietreepublishing.com>

Crime beat

1/31/05
11:30 AM
Hit & Run

A report was received that a vehicle was damaged by an unknown vehicle while parked in the Devilbiss lot.

2/01/05
2:15 PM
Theft

A cell phone was reported stolen from a room in Fulton Hall. The phone had been left unattended in the room.

2/01/05
2:00 PM
Hit & Run

A student reported that an unknown vehicle hit a parked vehicle that was unattended in the University police lot.

2/03/05
3:30 AM
False Fire Alarm

The fire alarm sounded in Choptank Hall. It was determined that a pull-station was activated on the 3rd floor. The alarm was reset and residents were allowed to return to the building.

2/03/05
9:10 PM
Theft

A resident of Chester Hall reported that a bookbag and contents were stolen from the Commons in the Rotunda seating area.

2/04/05
8:20 PM
Alcohol Violation

Two students, one a resident of Severn Hall, were found to be in possession of alcoholic beverages and are underage. They were issued civil citations.

2/04/05
10:30 PM
Alcohol Violation

A student was found to be in possession of alcoholic beverages in the Devilbiss parking lot. The student is underage and was issued a civil citation.

2/04/05
10:51 PM
Vandalism/Disorderly Conduct

A report was received that several students were in the main hallway of the University Center and were removing letters from a sign. One student took responsibility and another one put the letters back. Administrative action is pending.

2/09/05
2:00 PM
Theft

A student reported that a book bag containing a wallet was left on the floor of the main gym in Maggs while she was using the climbing wall. The wallet was stolen and the debit card was used off-campus in Fruitland to make a purchase.

2/09/05
2:00 PM
Theft

A resident of Pocomoke Hall reported that a book bag and contents were stolen from the storage area outside of the Book Store.

Join The Flyer

Weekly meetings are held every Monday at 9 p.m. in The Flyer office, Room 215 in GUC. Everyone is welcome to attend. Journalism majors and writers are needed.

Contact us at flyer@salisbury.edu for more information.

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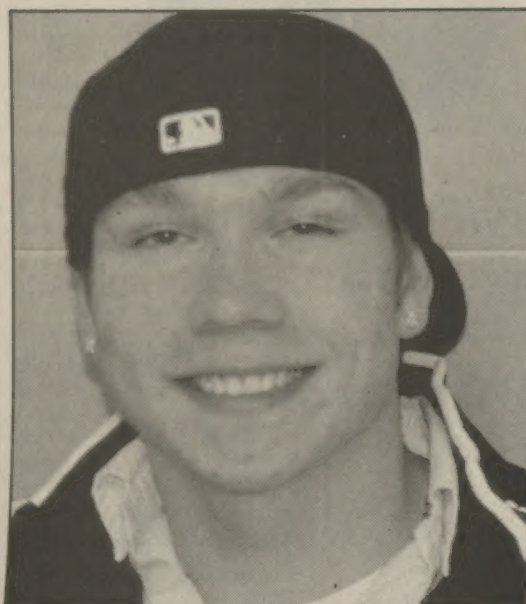
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Editorial

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Overheard

How many pounds of chocolate do you think are sold for Valentine's Day?



5 million tons.
-John Dyes, sophomore



5 Million pounds.
-Lauren Webster, junior



50 million pounds.
-Stephanie McKelwen, senior,



140 pounds.
-Steve Miller, sophomore

ANSWER: 3.5 Billion

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Student says Trisha Benton has right outlook

Dear Editor:

Sometimes life is very hard to comprehend. We see what happens around us yet are unable to really do anything about it. There are so many injustices happening in this world that people just look the other way. The rich get richer and poor become poorer.

We have recently reelected President Bush to another four year term. Was this a good idea? We, as Americans, must see that this is not good, to put it lightly. How can we have reelected a person who has caused so much destruction in Iraq? He and his administration say it is for the freedom of the Iraqi people. Really? Do you think Bush really cares about the Iraqi people that much? Or do you think it is because of what is under the soil of Iraq?

Just the other day, while at the pharmacy, a older gentleman needed a prescription medicine. When the total came up, he did not have enough money and had to leave empty handed. My friend went out to him and tried to help with what I had but it was not enough. Yet millions, if not billions, of dollars are

spent in all the wrong places. What about the American people? What about the homeless people who are in this country? What about the cost of education rising every year in the universities? What about the elderly people who need their medicine but are not taken care of by their insurance? The list could go on and on yet nothing will ever get accomplished, let alone ever looked at by the government. We need to stop and see what is going on in this world. A democracy should be run by the people and not by the rich.

Look around the world and you will see that Bush is not really loved. In a lot of the places, he is just plain hated. Strangely enough, the ones who do agree with him are the ones with the deepest pockets. This is something that obviously will never go away because it has been repeating itself over the years in various parts of the world (the favoritism and power of the rich) but it could at least be worked on.

It is so hypocritical of Bush to say "God Bless America" and have thousands of poor Iraqi men, women, and children suffering and

dying. A whole generation of Iraqis has been destroyed due to death or impediments that will live on with them. They will never be the same. A real Christian would turn his back on war and open his arms to peace and love. What about our poor soldiers who have lost their lives for Bush's cause? It is easy to say that their lives were lost for an admirable cause. I would not wish this on anyone.

We need people to look beyond the University walls, to look beyond our borders and see exactly what is happening out there. I have not had the privilege of meeting Ms. Trisha Benton but she is a prime example of a person trying to do what she can to better the world, a small piece at a time. This world needs more people like her. Maybe one day things will be different and the prejudices, racism, and inequalities will go away.

Thank you,
Alvino Medina

THE FEED

If you haven't yet, check out *Cheaters* on the WB. A guy who was being accused of cheating on his wife was: "A carper layer who is suspected of laying much more than carpet." Absolute brilliance.

Red Bull + vodka = me impersonating the Micro Machine guy all night long.

The state of Virginia is passing a law that will fine you \$50 if your pants hang too low. I've said it before and I'll say it again, DEMOCRACY DOES NOT WORK, PEOPLE!

Britney Spears is said to be the starling role in the upcoming remake of *Fortune Teller*. Okay, I didn't like the one with Kevin Bacon, but still, if a tree fell on Britney Spears in the forest, and no one was around to hear it, would it still be hilarious?

Contessa you break my heart. First you never reply to my proposal, and now you have a Valentine. Way to crush my soul.

Napoleon Dynamite is a movie that tries entirely too hard. Apparently, majority of this campus has no idea what the definition of a "good movie" is.

Kevin will you be my Valentine-Mark

I really like sitting outside when it's nice weather. We've had a few days like that lately. I really hate it when I'm breathing in the fresh air and a flaming cigarette butt flies past my head, just barely missing my eye. PUT YOUR BUTT IN THE ASH TRAY!

I really like The Flyer's new look. I'd like to see more pictures though. Maybe take my picture. I'm quite photogenic. I'll be sitting on under one of the trees between Fulton and Caruthers on Monday evening waiting for the photographer.

Hello, this is Meatwad. Happy Valentine's Day to Frylocks and Mastershake. I love you.

Got something to say?

Email THE FEED at:

flyer@salisbury.edu

Please include your name so we can verify you are a student; however all entries will remain anonymous.

Real Campus Heroes Vol. 2 Part 3 Miss Valentine's Day Melodramatic Girl

By: John A. Heath
Staff Writer

Today we salute you, Miss Valentine's Day Melodramatic Girl. With bird songs so sweet and the flirtatious sounds of lovers cajoling through the quad, you wear your badge of singlehood like a scarlet letter upon your forehead, proclaiming to all the dread entailed in being single on Valentine's Day. You teeter back and forth between embittered anger and bittersweet romantic aspiration — at one moment you are full of hatred directed at all couples, while at another you are nostalgic of cheesy romance flicks, intent on being rescued out of your dry-spy before the night is over.

You commence your day by eating a lonely breakfast at the Commons because most of your friends have already made Valentine's breakfast plans with their respective lovers. Keeping a watchful eye out for your knight in tattered Abercrombie, you bat your eyelashes engagingly at one of the student servers in the egg sandwich line, only to be denied a response as he turns away to cough up a gaudy mucous ball. You place yourself at a table in the Rotunda, and listen to the agonizing love ballads playing on the overhead speakers, while

you plan your revenge on whomever it was that invented this infernal holiday.

Ignoring the actual religious origin of Valentine's Day, you focus your anger on those who have commercialized the holiday to such a deplorable extent. Quite decidedly, you take out a pencil and paper and begin drafting your letter of complaint to the PR department of Hallmark, those V-Day exploiters of, what some might call "love."

After breakfast you head down to check your campus mailbox, just a smidge hopeful that there will be something loveable for you to open or read.

Your day is momentarily uplifted upon receiving an envelope in your mailbox, only to be disappointed by opening it and seeing a horrific portrait of you, painted by none other than the strangest student on campus who bears a striking resemblance to Napoleon Dynamite. Exasperated so early in the morning, you return to your dorm room and lie on your bed while listening to "Love Hurts" on loop.

You decide to call your divorced mother and whine to her, searching for and justifiably expecting sympathy. Just as you are about to really get into it, she cuts you off, explaining that her boyfriend has just surprised her with a dozen roses and a

strip tease. Hanging up the phone in frustration and disgust, you gather up your courage and walk to Hollywood video intent on renting "Sleepless in Seattle," "Casablanca," and "Pretty Woman." Your hopes are once again smashed as all of the romantic flicks you had wanted to see were already checked out, and there was nothing left but "Earth Girls Are Easy." Instead, you go to the florist next door to buy yourself a rose and then go to the Salisbury Zoo to spend some time alone.

After entering the park, you walk to the zoo entrance and see a handsome fellow approaching. Amassing what hope is left within you, you feign a playful smile, only to be received by the unhelpful comment of a wedding-banded zoo guard, "I'm sorry ma'am, but ya see the zoo's closed until the ice melts off the pathways, and we can't have loiterin' round here."

You walk back to your car with nothing resembling optimism, as you kick pine cones, coming to the obviously deluded realization that you are destined to be alone for the rest of your life.

If you can't be with someone on Valentine's Day, the rest of the day consists of trying to have fun and wreak as much havoc as you can. While listening to some of Fiona Apple's more bitter songs, you spend hours tossing water balloons from your dorm window on unsuspecting happy couples. With each successive toss, you utter a sigh of nostalgia for loves forgone, but clench your fist, feeling like you are contributing to the battle against a commercialized day of Hallmark-inspired depression.

It is with much sympathy that we, both single and dating students,



salute you, for your adamant aggression against this holiday is nothing if not admirable in the face of sugary candies and frolicking lovers. And so, pour yourself a romantic glass of lonely champagne, because even though it feels like you are the only single person out there, you are merely one of many depressed single students living in the land of celibacy.

FEBRUARY 14, 2005 THE FLYER

Faculty Spotlight

Egan rocks local band scene

By Jonathan Murga
Staff Writer

Dr. Chrys Egan, distinguished professor of Communications by day, lead singer of a faculty rock band by night, has been inspiring students at Salisbury University for years. She recently took a break from teaching, research, and band practice to speak with the Flyer about life, teaching, and Pugsly.

Q: You obviously are a huge supporter of the independent research option for seniors, why do you feel this is so valuable?
Research is a lot more interesting and creative than students might initially think. I've studied everything from body piercing to censorship to raves. Conducting an original study of human communication is amazingly powerful. Not only do you get to explore any topic that you like, but you discover information that nobody else knows. Most independent study students (and future employers or graduate schools) are quite impressed by the final product.

Q: What has been your favorite class to teach?
Maybe it's a cop-out answer, but I honestly like them all. I think Communication is the most fascinating subject to teach and study. It touches every aspect of our lives and is extremely applicable. If I had to pick a few favorites, they would be interpersonal communication, media effects, and free speech.

Q: You are a highly recommended among students and have a rating of 4.8 on ratemyprofessor.com, what do you attribute your success and likability among students to?
Shyness and shorthair. Sounds crazy, but it's true. I began teach-

ing at barely 22 years old with no training and I was terrified, so I had to think of creative ways of running the class. Luckily for me, students loved the interactive, personal approach. Being only 60 inches tall doesn't hurt either since students see me as friendly and approachable, although I do tend to get carded more often than other professors my age.

Q: You are in a band called Pugsly, do you encourage students to come to your shows? If so, does it ever feel awkward to see students in the crowd?
Yes and yes, but it's good to be a bit awkward sometimes because it challenges us. It's useful to break down the artificial boundaries of teacher and students to remind each other that we're all just people. Plus I must admit there's something darkly amusing about surprising my students when they show up to a local bar and I'm singing in a rock band. It was much weirder in Athens, GA where I was in a leather punk band!

Q: For those who have not seen your band play, what type of music do you play and who are your musical influences?
You can check out Pugsly at www.pugsly.org. We play originals, alt-rock, 80s pop, Motown, jazz, you name it. We have a bizarre sense of humor so we often choose or write songs that are odd or funny. We also love the performance art of the shows and interacting with the audience. Some influences are the B-52s, Impotent Sea Snakes, The Cure, Cake, and even Johnny Cash.

Q: When did you develop a love for music and when did this love for music develop into a band?



CMAT professor Chrys Egan is lead singer for Pugsly, a group of SU faculty who have a passion for music.

I've been doing various types of performance since I was 10, but I didn't actually join a band until about 5 years ago. I put an ad in the Athens Music Guide as a joke and several club owners thought it was so funny that they called to book us. The trouble was, there was no band, so we scrambled to put one together and the rest is history...

Q: What do you feel most passionately about for your music or your teaching?
I would love to pursue my music career. There's a saying that you shouldn't make your hobby your career and it's very true. If you play and practice music too much, it starts to seem like work. I can't say that if MTV drove up with a truck-load of money that I wouldn't enjoy my 15 minutes of fame, but I can't really imagine myself doing music as a career.

Ask Marie



Marie Bradford of New Student Experiences answers questions any SU student might have.

E-mail your questions to mbradford@salisbury.edu
Hi Everyone!

I thought I'd give you a little insight into why I wanted to do this column. I'm a full-time staff member in the Guerrieri University Center and Office of New Student Experience which fall under the Student Affairs Division at Salisbury. I am an undergraduate student pursuing a degree in English Literature, with a History minor. I'm a wife and mother, and, most importantly, a Nana to a granddaughter and grandson! But enough about me! Seriously, I wanted to do this column because I felt there was a need on the campus to open the lines of communication between students, faculty, staff and the administration. This column will be that venue. Many of you have questions that go unanswered because you don't know who to go to or because the questions may be controversial or you just simply don't have the time to research them. The source of the question will not be divulged; your identity is safe with me. I check out all of my answers with the "experts" before posting them to this site. This column also affords an opportunity for students to become acquainted with many of the resources, departments and contacts for information at Salisbury University. Send your questions to: mbradford@salisbury.edu

Question: How do Salisbury University international students become oriented to the University and to the surrounding communities?

Answer: First, all new students or transfer students with 24 credits or less are required to take a New Student Experience Seminar. Some of these seminars are held during the summer months as experiential trips, while others are done during the fall and spring semester. These seminars introduce new students to valuable resources available at Salisbury University.

According to Agata Liszkowska, International Student Services Coordinator, she conducts a mandatory orientation session at the beginning of every semester for international students. Information that is covered in these sessions includes, but is not limited to, immigration information, health issues, health insurance, social security numbers, driver's licenses, academic advisors, majors, academic language and terms that may be different in the U.S., American slang and hints about culture. Workshops are also offered throughout the semester. A pizza party is held to introduce new international students to those "seasoned" students already on campus. Many events are planned for these students, like a trip to the beach. Other faculty and staff members go along to enhance the students' information about the language, the culture and the community. If you would be interested in more information about the International Student Program, you can contact Ms. Liszkowska at X36313 or stop by the Multicultural Student Services Offices located on the second floor of the Guerrieri University Center.

If you sent me a question that has not been published in this edition, it is because I have not been able to verify the answer. Look for it in the next edition.

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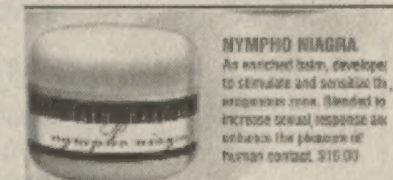
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By Lindsey Richman
Staff writer

When the word gets out that there is going to be a sex toy party there is a sort of intrigue that drives women's curiosity to a whole new level. Brenda Shores of Slumber Parties reiterates that statement. Brenda says that she, "provides a girl's night out that is both fun and educational." She also said that, "most people like them because they can ask questions and learn things in a comfortable environment." According to Shores, women have even benefited in their marriages because of attending a sex toy party.

Women who attend these parties are predominantly between the ages of 25 and 45 years old, as well as college students. The most popular product is a product called nympho. Nympho niagra, as it is called, is an enriched balm, developed to stimulate and sensitize the female erogenous zone. This product is blended to increase sexual response and enhance the pleasure of human contact. More information about this product can be found on www.slumberpartiesby-

bren.com. Brenda's favorite product is a bullet, which can also be found on the website. This provides stimulation for men and women during foreplay or for women alone for stimulation.



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There are common misconceptions that people, especially men, make regarding sex toy parties. Brenda says, "Sex toy parties are not to replace guys but are to enhance relationships. However certain toys can help college girls from having multiple boyfriends. But sex toys are not meant to get rid of the male population." Brenda has been hosting these parties for four years. She started because she attended a party and found out that there was no representative in this area.

Most girls reacted in a good way about sex toy parties. "I never thought that I'd bring sex toys to the bedroom," says an attendee. "I thought my skills were perfectly fine and that my boyfriend would never allow it, but to my surprise, he did and they are wonderful; in fact, they add to our pleasure."

Another attendee felt very comfortable with the parties as well. "Sex toy parties can be enjoyable for everyone," says Janelle Duff. "Whether you are there for a lesson on erogenous zones and how to spice up your sex life or if you are just going to hang out with your girls, a sex toy party is always a blast. Be wary if you aren't comfortable with that sort of thing, though, because some of the things that are discussed and shown might make you sweat a bit."

"I think sex toy parties are a great idea... they allow women to explore their sexuality and help on those cold, lonely nights" says Katie Spencer.

Sex toy parties are not just for the sexual "freaks" out there. Normal everyday girls get together and



Slumber parties provides a catalog of their inventory. attend sex toy parties to have a good time, to be with their friends, and to learn something new and educational. Sex toy parties are anything but boring and give women a chance to explore their sexuality with other women present.

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Welcome SU Students

SU Alumni warm the heart with "Quilts of Love"

By: Jennifer Griffith

Staff Writer

"Quilts of Love" sponsored a quilting bee on Saturday, February 5, to provide crib-sized quilts to at risk infants in Sussex County, Delaware.

Inspired by "Quilts for Comfort", a similar group in Newark that supplies quilts to premature babies, "Quilts of Love" was formed in 2001 by eight women.

SU Alumni Sandy Monigle of Rehoboth Beach is one of the founders. Although she had never sewn before, Monigle quickly found that there were many other ways to be involved. "Everyone has a specific role. I am the treasurer, and I also use the computer

to print out patterns and instructions (to assemble the quilts)," says Monigle.

The group sponsors a quilting bee four times a year. Anyone can attend, and no sewing experience is necessary to participate. Joy Griffith of Dagsboro says, "I was relieved to know I was not required to do any of the sewing. I kept busy, and it was exciting to be involved with such a good cause." People who don't sew can lay out patterns, pin pieces together, iron and tie the quilts. "Everyone can contribute and have a purpose," says Monigle. Between 15 and 25 quilts are made at each bee, which lasts five hours with a break for lunch.

Finished quilts are donated to Resource Mothers in

Milford, where at risk mothers receive prenatal care and education. Donations are also made to Children and Family First in Milford, which supplies care during the first year after birth. In the past, quilts have been sent with a local doctor to be distributed to needy children during a trip to Nicaragua.

The quilts that are made are truly quilts of love. "When we all get together to make these quilts, I believe we put love in them for the babies," says Lois Aylor of Rehoboth Beach. Aylor gives advice to those who attend the quilting bee. "When you are finished, hug your quilt to put the love in it and that way you can also make sure to find all of the pins!"

"Quilts of Love" also meets the needs of the com-

munity by donating toys and clothing. Monigle says, "Giving directly to the community is so much better than taking them to a thrift store." On Saturday, over \$60 was raised in a raffle to buy a table and chairs for the children's play area at Children and Family First.

"Quilts of Love" has donated over 300 quilts. Monigle says, "It's going to a baby and a family that can use it. It's wonderful, and I will do it my whole life."

The next event will be held on April 30, 2005 at All Saints Church in Rehoboth. Contact Jan at 302-645-5691 for directions and information.

If interested in bringing a "Quilts of Love" event to campus, email jg09416@salisbury.edu.

Student Spotlight

Fraternity president discusses hobbies, goals

By Devika Strother

Staff Writer

Matthew Walker is a busy young man. He's a junior, double majoring in Business Management and Conflict Resolution. He is the President of both the Alpha Sigma Phi and the Management Club. Walker is focused, driven, playful yet serious. A couple of e-mails and phone calls later, we coordinated a time and place to chat.

Q: When did you join Alpha Sigma Phi?

A: I joined my second semester of my freshman year. Our motto is "To Better the Man." That's what we try to live by. The reason I joined is because back home you have all your guy friends. College is good for books and it's nice to hang with girls and stuff but you come to college and you want people to shoot pool and play basketball with. But once you get in, you see another side to it like the business aspect of it. For example, if I don't get my job done, the whole fraternity is going to suffer. It works just like a business because of the chain of command. Not everyone always sees the serious side of the Fraternity.

Q: Is the Fraternity involved in the community?

A: It's one of the biggest things we've always tried to do. We're constantly trying to work at better relations. We go out and clean up the community because nobody else is going to do it. But we're not banging on doors making sure people notice we do it. We do wear our let-

ters and hope people will see these Fraternity guys picking up trash and beer cans.

Q: What's the Management Club all about?

A: We do activities in the community and bring in guest speakers. We're attached to a National Honors Club. Society that would look great on your resume. We are in a rebuilding phase right now. We're doing a lot of promotion just to get the word out.

Q: You just had your 21st birthday. Did you do anything fun?

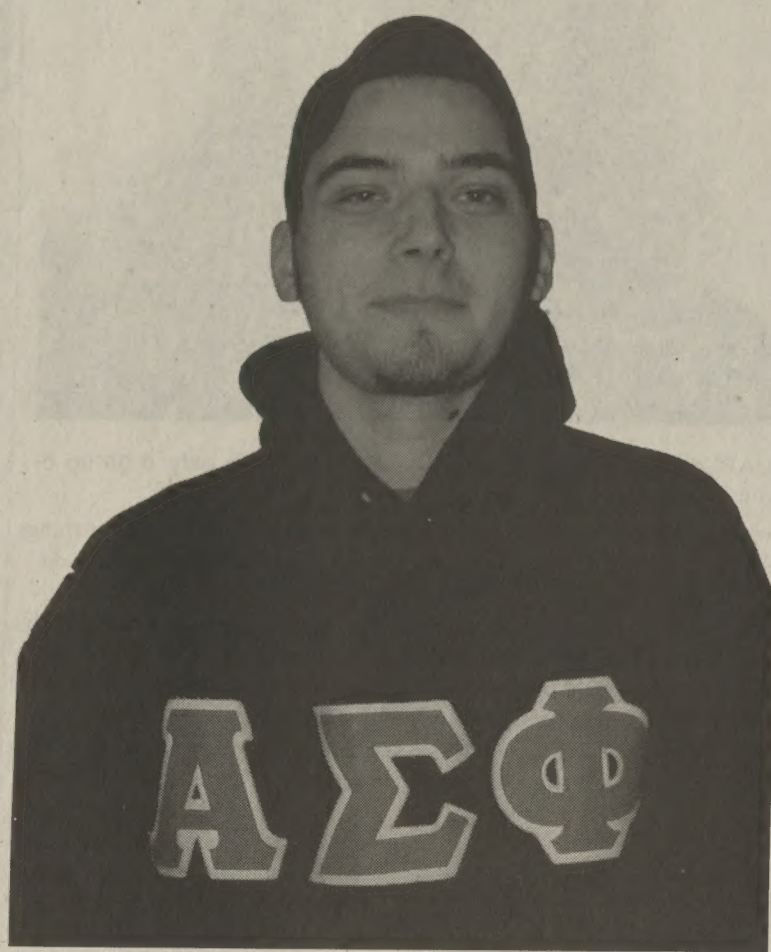
A: My boys took me out to the bar. I had a REALLY good time. That's one of the other things I like about the Fraternity. You have those friends so when you turn 21, you can hang out with the older guys and they treat you right.

Q: What are your plans for post graduation?

A: I would really like to get my Masters here. I want to go right away so I won't slack off. What I want to do is become a Management Consultant. I'm hoping whatever firm I work for will pay for my Doctorate.

Q: What made you want to pursue a career in Business?

A: I've always thought about it. I see people like Donald Trump and know that's where I would like to see myself. I would love a corporate job. I want to wear a suit to work everyday. Corporate America—I think that's really where it's at. But my side passion is cooking.



Chris Baum/Flyer Photographer
Junior Matt Walker is president of the SU chapter of Alpha Sigma Phi and the Management Club.

compliments—it was awesome for me.

Q: What's your favorite meal to cook?

A: Chicken Alfredo is my dish. But I really like cooking anything.

Q: Did you used to work as a chef?

A: I started out as a dishwasher at my friend's restaurant. I was just doing it for the money at first. After a while, one of the chefs would bring me back if it was slow, and teach me a little everyday. Eventually, I was back there by myself making my own specials. Standing back and being proud of your work, receiving

novices. "A lot of girls won't even go to the [weight room]," sophomore Jessica Angeleri says. "With so many people it feels like I'm constantly being watched." Angeleri would love to work with free weights once a week, but is self-conscious about doing exercises wrong and looking funny, so she never goes downstairs.

But for the several who are turned off, there are countless others who brave the crowds and the smell many times a week in search of a better look. And there are even those, like Coleman, who think of it as a second home.

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Maggs Gym receives criticism from students

By: Kyle Mitchell

Staff Writer

Salisbury University sophomore Becky Smith woke up Monday morning with the intent to make good on her New Years resolution. After classes, she straps on a pair of tennis shoes, grabs some mesh shorts from the back of her closet, and heads off to Maggs Gym to begin what she hopes to be, a regular workout routine. But Smith won't be satisfying her resolution today, tomorrow, or even this semester.

"The place is so packed," Smith says. "There is a 30 minute wait for the elliptical machine." Disappointed and intimidated, she heads back to

her room to do homework and talk online. Indeed, while Salisbury University boasts of a multi million dollar science facility, and an award winning dining hall, why are the fitness rooms barely larger than those found in high schools?

Not every student feels the workout rooms are inadequate though. "It's got everything I need," says sophomore Ryan Coleman. "Were you expecting a health club?" Coleman feels the facilities are fine for now, but sees problems if the school continues to grow at its current rate. Size aside, the gym does have everything a student could want, just not enough of it.

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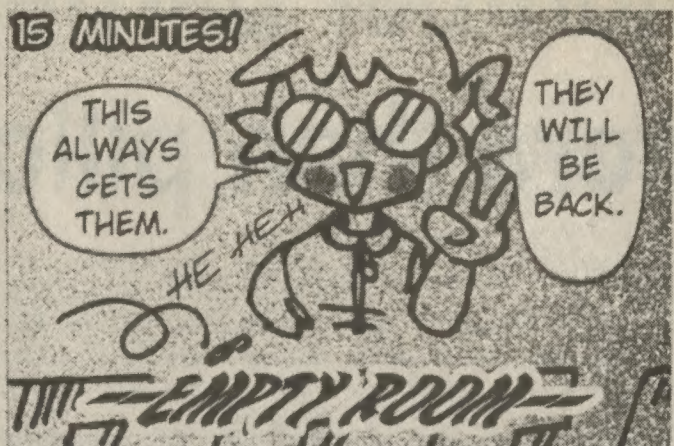
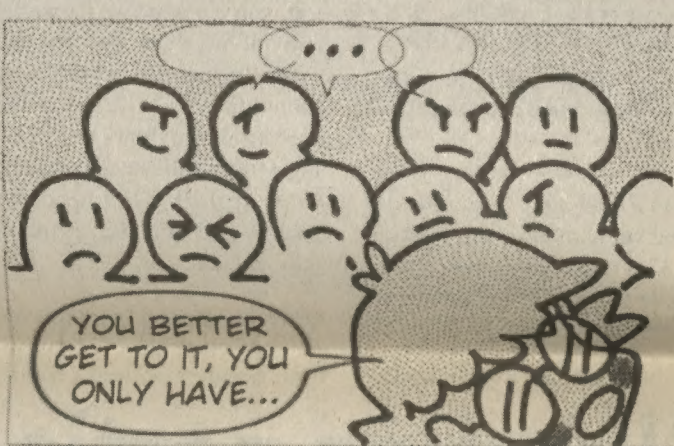
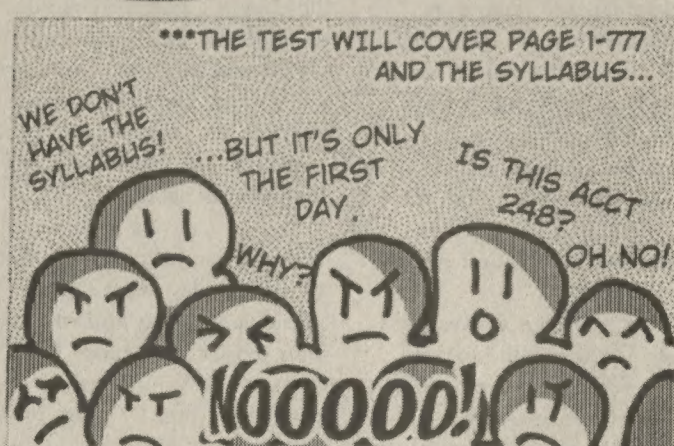
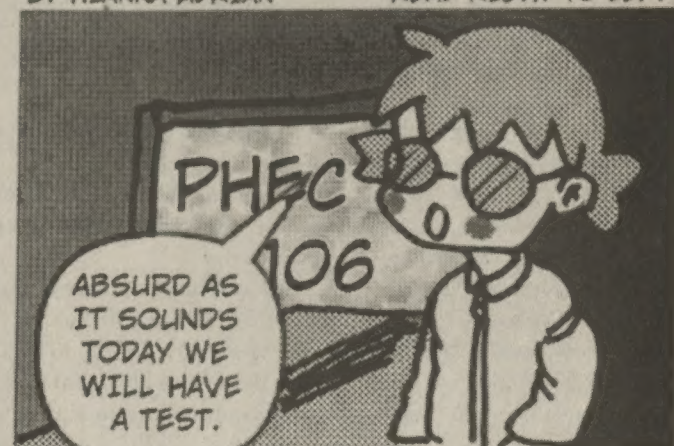
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FEBRUARY 14, 2005 THE FLYER

The Salisbury Symphony Orchestra brings elegance to SU

By: Devika Strother

Staff Writer

Holloway Hall will play host to The Salisbury Symphony Orchestra when they perform at Salisbury University on Saturday, Feb. 19 at 8 p.m. "Patrons can expect to hear some amazing talent," says Hilary Cole, Junior. Cole is a former cello player for the Salisbury Symphony Orchestra.

The concert will be led by guest conductor, Clyde Mitchell. He is a regular conductor for Honor Bands and Orchestras across the country. He's frequently been the Guest Conductor with Orchestras in Canada, Japan and Europe. Mitchell is the recent Founder and Music Director of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Philharmonic.

Sarah Jackson is the featured Piccolo soloist. She has entered her second year performing with the Los Angeles

Philharmonic. Jackson has spent ten previous years as Assistant Principal Flute and Piccolo with the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra in British Columbia,

finest community orchestras I've heard," says Cole. The two musical guests will enhance the existing talent of the Salisbury Symphony

The Orchestra has selected six compositions to perform. "Down a Country Lane," composed by Aaron Copland will be a featured piece at the event. He combined jazz and a neoclassic style to attract more listeners.

"We found that we were getting too far away from the public, that we were being isolated," Copland said in an interview.

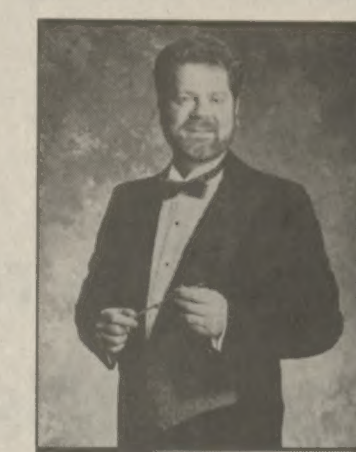
Mozart's "Ave Verum Corpus," a work full of eloquence and spirituality, will also be performed. This is one of Mozart's most accomplished works of art.

"I have no doubt it's going to be a dazzling concert. I can't wait to hear it," says Cole.

The concert will follow the "Savor the Symphony" event at 5 p.m. in the Great Hall and Social Room in Holloway Hall. For tickets call the Symphony Office at 410-548-5587



Sarah Jackson, featured Piccolo soloist, and Clyde Mitchell, guest conductor will be performing with the Salisbury Symphony Orchestra on Saturday, Feb. 19 at 8 p.m. in Holloway Hall.



Canada. "Salisbury is lucky to have soloists playing along with the symphony, which is one of the

Orchestra. "Most of the musicians have decades of experience and it's definitely present in their playing," says Cole.

Now in theaters...

"Hitch" offers help on first date Sleepless in Salisbury?

By: Contessa Crisostomo

Life & Style Editor

On a first date, tension between a wosome is often high. The stress involved in getting ready, choosing a date spot and then attempting to initiate conversation is enough for one's blood pressure to skyrocket. The cure to this dating ailment: a good date movie.

"Hitch" contains all the necessary elements of a good date movie. Humor is essential for a good ice breaker, easing the tension. It is romantic, which spices up the evening. More importantly, "Hitch," played by Will Smith, offers love advice which may serve well for the rest of the date.

Smith definitely shines as Alex "Hitch" Hitchens, bringing back the classic, charming humor that brought him fame as the "Fresh Prince of Bel-Air" and "Men in Black."

Smith stars as the Love Doctor hired by hopeless men to help them charm their way into the hearts of the women of their dreams. When falling for a woman of his own, however, Alex can't seem to guide himself in the right direction.

Alex Hitchens is a character Will Smith was born to play. Smooth,



Will Smith and co-star Eva Mendes in Columbia Pictures' Hitch.

charming, and funny, tall, dark, and handsome... it's hard to not believe he can solve all of one's dating woes. The film generates tons of laughs and heaps of sappy moments, with much thanks to Kevin James' character, Albert, the awkward and clumsy financial advisor who yearns

for a date with his boss, the incredibly wealthy Allegra Cole. As Hitch's "Sistine Chapel," he determines to serve as Alex's most challenging client to date.

The dynamics between James and Smith are reminiscent to that of Chris Tucker and Jackie Chan in

"Rush Hour."

If the date is still not going as planned, the film offers hunky Will Smith and the sexy Eva Mendes as good eye candy to last through the two hours.

"You don't want to be in love; you want to be in love in a movie!"

Unless you've been living under a rock since the early 90s, even if you're male, you have probably at least heard about the movie "Sleepless in Seattle." If you haven't seen "Sleepless" it is a sweet love story, a classic romance and tale of destiny starring Tom Hanks and Meg Ryan.

When widower Sam Baldwin, played by the incredible Tom Hanks, moves to Seattle, to get away from all the things that remind him of his lost wife, his son, Jonah, calls a radio show to help him find a new mate.

The "doctor" on the other end of the phone prods and pulls at Sam's private life until she gets him to spill his beans about the way he felt when

he first met his wife.

Annie, portrayed by Meg Ryan, hears this broadcast from across the country in Baltimore and immediately begins to question the ideas of destiny and fate as they relate to romance.

At first, Annie admonishes the thought of this man ever being a possibility—after all she herself is already engaged to Walter.

But as time goes by, she finds herself staying up all night listening to the radio show, and even writes a letter to this stranger in Seattle.

Annie soon grows weary of her relationship with Walter, who is allergic to everything and has a hard time being as romantic as the men in Annie's favorite classic love stories. What follows is a whirlwind journey to test fate and meet the man of her dreams—or destiny.

Minor setbacks do not discourage Annie from searching for her true love, even while everyone around her is telling her she's crazy.

Sam spends his time trying to get back in the dating pool, while juggling his mischievous son and career as an architect. He ends up dating a few women, but still cannot find anyone to replace Maggie, his lost love. That is until he meets Annie.

If you haven't already seen this movie about 573,582,982 times, Valentine's Day is the perfect time to watch it with that special someone; or with a pint of Ben & Jerry double chocolate chip on the couch in your PJs!

J.P. Williams to rock Salisbury University

By: Shauna McVey

Staff Writer

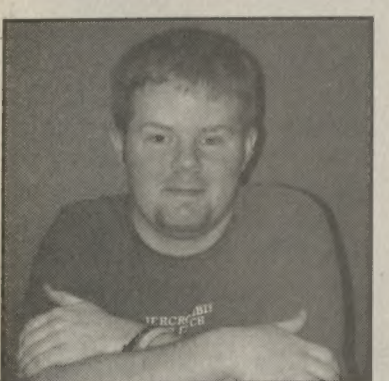
Some people believe that when a person loses one of their five senses, the remaining four become stronger. In the case of J.P. Williams, losing his eye sight enhanced one of his non-physical senses...humor. With such candid jibes as naming his debut album "So...Where's the Stage?" it is easy to see that this musician does not allow his disability to be restricting.

J.P. Williams was born in Clarksville, Indiana without sight in his right eye. At age 10, glaucoma took over his left eye and left him completely blind. Out of frustration he began to play and eventually fell

in love with the guitar, which led him to obtain a Bachelor's Degree in Music from the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga. Following his graduation from college, J.P. decided to pursue his music career in Atlanta, Ga and Nashville, Tenn.

This Wednesday, February 16th, Salisbury University will host the singer/songwriter and his style of acoustic pop rock with a little country and blues flare. The concert will be held at 8 p.m. in the Gull's Nest, where students can eat their dinner while enjoying the show or, if age permits, have a beer at the campus pub.

home, everywhere you look."



By: Justin Hennaut

ACE Editor

"Whatever happened to predictability? The milk man, the paper boy, evening TV." Go on you know the words.

Our generation grew up hearing that famous theme song bringing us the antics of the Tanner family. The clean freak dad Danny, the rock and roll Uncle Jesse, the wannabe comic Joey, big sister Donna Jo aka DJ, the funny middle sister Stephanie and pre anorexia baby Michelle. The Tanners were America's first family of television long before the Romanos and the Camdens.

But in 1995 the house emptied and for 10 years you had to hope and pray to find an episode

on Nick at Night or ABC Family. That is until last Tuesday when Warner Brothers released "Full House: The Complete First Season" on DVD.

The DVD box set includes all 22 original season one episodes on four disks. Some of the episodes in the set include "Our First Thanksgiving," "The Big Three O's," "A Fox in Our House" and "D.J. Tanners Day Off."

Along with the original episodes the producers have checked the DVDs full of fun extras. The best extra is by far the previously unaired pilot starring John Posey in the role of Danny Tanner rather than Bob Saget.

Commentary by show creator Jeff Franklin and a trivia game round out the bonus features.

The disks bring back all the old favorites. Lines like Uncle Jesse's "Have Mercy,"

Michele's "You got it dude" and Stephanie's "Oh Please!" But for



"Full House: The Complete First Season" was released last Tuesday, and includes all 22 original season one episodes.

some it brings back more than just humor, it brings back memo-

ries. Salisbury student Adam Henry says "It reminds me of the corny 80s and 90s sitcoms which were wholesome fun." Because only in the 80s and early 90s could a show, with such a predictable plot and corny music every time it was about to get warm and fuzzy, be a huge success.

"There is not a show like it on TV today. It truly is a one of a kind" says Junior Dustin Holt. Watching "Full House" teaches you all of life's important lessons like don't skip school to get Stacy Q's autograph and never-never get in a car named "Wild Thing".

Go out and pick up "Full House: The Complete First Season" on DVD today. It is less than 25 dollars and well worth every penny.

Because remember "life is waiting to carry you home, everywhere you look."

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Valentine's day makeout mix



Aerosmith's Steven Tyler rocks out to "Don't Wanna Miss a Thing", one of the more notable songs on this year's makeout mix.

By: Jessica Geesaman
Staff Writer

This Valentine's Day, whether plans include dinner for two or a night on the town, music can only make it better. The perfect soundtrack can turn any evening from boring to steamy in minutes. Just put on that special song and feel the room ignite. Here's an eclectic mix of raunchy and romantic songs amassed from online top ten lists, personal favorites, and student suggestions. So grab a tune, a partner, and get hot and heavy.

Boyz II Men: "I'll Make Love to You". These boys know how to treat a woman. Find a bear rug and a fireplace, this one's going to last all night.

Marvin Gaye: "Let's Get it On". A classic song for a classic it. Marvin is tradition, and like a fine wine, connoisseurs of intimacy should appreciate his refined sensuality.

Nine Inch Nails: "Closer". The

anti-love love song. Handcuffs are optional but recommended. Girls beware! This song could be a sure sign he doesn't want you for your personality.

Dashboard Confessional: "The Brilliant Dance". Don't sit in a corner and cry; sit in a corner and make out. Deemed 'emo', this song is interchangeable as a make-up or break-up, and might leave both sexes in tears.

Aerosmith: "I Don't Wanna Miss a Thing". A big mouth is useful for more than just singing. When listening to this song, preferably there are animal crackers and a deadly space mission involved. Go Armaget-it-on.

John Mayer: "Come Back to Bed". Shows a man is sensitive, but no mama's-boy. This casual tune is perfect for new couples, but be warned, cuddling is mandatory.

Ludacris: "What's Your Fantasy". That's a good question, one that should definitely be asked. Hit play when only a

Top five romantic movies for this Valentine's Day

By: Erin Kraus
Staff Writer

It's the time of year when love birds go out for fancy dinners and romantic walks. But for those of you who want to stay home and celebrate your love, or save a few bucks because you're too cheap to spend money on your girl, here are the top five movies to watch on Valentines Day.

Number 1- "Say Anything": This movie is fabulous, but boyfriends beware! John Cusack's portrayal of the sweet, cute, bumbling Lloyd Dobler may make your Valentine's efforts pale in comparison because no girl can resist the innocent charm and raw honesty of Mr. Dobler.

The movie is set in the late 1980's and Cusack and Sky play high school graduates. The movie takes place right after graduation when Dobler woos Court, much to the displeasure of her father.

This film was written and directed

by Cameron Crowe who is also responsible for such gems as Jerry Maguire, Almost Famous, and Vanilla Sky.

Say 'Anything' is at the top of the list because it has it all. It is funny, romantic, touching and the acting is superb. This is the ultimate lovey-dovey movie.

Number 2- "When Harry Met Sally": This movie, also set in the late eighties, is proof that a true romantic movie is timeless. Starring Billy Crystal and Meg Ryan this film follows Harry and Sally from their first meeting, in college, throughout their 20's and mid-30's.

At first the anal retentive Ryan and the terminally cynical Crystal butt heads but eventually they find friendship in their shared heartaches.

Will these two ever realize that they are perfect for each other? Do the best love stories start with friendship? You can probably guess

the outcome, but either way, it sure is fun to watch.

Number 3- "Pretty Woman": This movie ranks number three because, honestly, what is more romantic than a hooker and an egotistical businessman getting it on.

It probably goes without saying, but this movie stars Julia Roberts and Richard Gere. It's lame, its fun and it's not exactly based in reality but that's what Valentine's Day is really all about right?

So sit back and relax with your significant other; and don't think too hard about the plot.

Number 4- "Love Story": "Love Story" is another classic romance that ranks painfully high in the cheese factor. Be forewarned this is not a romantic comedy. It has its humorous moments but overall it's a melodramatic tear jerker. I only recommend it for couples who like to spout cheese ball lines at each other; like, "Love means never having to

say you're sorry." If you are one of those irritatingly lovey-dovey couples (and you know who you are!) then this movie is probably for you.

Number 5- "Donnie Darko": This movie isn't exactly romantic, but in the spirit of Valentine's Day, we ought to throw a bone out to the single people. So, if you will be alone this day when there's so much pressure to be with someone I recommend this film.

The plot is amazing and twisted. This is a movie you have to think about which means you won't have time to feel sorry for yourself!

The eye candy for the guys is Jena Malone who plays the sweet girl next door, and Darko's love interest. As for the girls, there's Jake Gyllenhaal whose brooding good looks are enough to make any girl forget about any guy.

Suggestion: A pint of Ben and Jerry's and comfy sweats should accompany this movie.

Easy viewing: The real deal behind online movie rentals

By: Sarah Fischbach
Staff Writer

Do you ever wish you could just kick back, snap your fingers and watch whatever movie you want? No hassles, no running to three different video stores trying to find that new release, and best of all, no late fees!

Well, those of you out there who can relate are in luck. Mail order DVD rentals are one of the most popular ways to get movies today. You just go on the Internet, find the right web site and click! You've got your favorite flicks heading straight for your mailbox.

One of the most visited and well respected sites for mail-ordering movies is Netflix.com. Their pitch is, "Make a list of the movies you want to see and we'll do the rest!"

With Netflix in just four easy steps you can get the movies you want and it is surprisingly easy.

First, you have to create your "wish list" of the titles you want to receive from a list of 30,000. Then Netflix will rush you three DVDs from your list. You can keep each DVD as long as you want without being charged for it. When

you're ready to return the movies, just stick them in their prepaid return envelope and mail them back.

This is all for the price of \$17.99 per month plus taxes. But of course you have to compare to the competition.

Take Blockbuster for example. They offer unlimited DVD rentals for just \$14.99 a month. Just like Netflix, you go through the same process and get three movies with free shipping and no late fees.

Both services report that it takes about one to three business days for the movies to get to your house. However, one online review says that over time Netflix seems to have slowed down in the shipping process. While another comment that Blockbuster is better because they ship DVDs out on Saturday.

Wal-Mart also participates in the online DVD rental game. Wal-Mart.com offers you a choice of membership plans with prices ranging anywhere from \$12.97 to \$21.94 per month. The lower the price the lower the amount of DVDs you'll be getting.

Wal-Mart doesn't get the same positive reviews from online reviewers that

Blockbuster or Netflix gets. One user says "I experienced terrible times with Wal-Mart. Mailed back on January 8 and as of January 17 a DVD is still [missing]. By the time they ship the next one, it will be almost two weeks turnaround time."

If you ever worry about the questionable material in films, cleanlines.com would be the site you want to visit. Their movies are professionally edited to remove graphic violence, sexual situations and more.

This is a good site for the family because you don't have to worry about getting something you don't want to see on your screen.

All in all, the process of renting DVDs over the Internet is basically the same for every service. The differences are in the price ranges and the amount you can have at one time. The big crowd-pleasers are the "no late fee" policies and free shipping both ways. You can also change your membership or cancel at any time without additional fees.

For more information on all the rental services contact their websites or see maildvds.com. This site allows you to

research which companies have better prices and better selection.

So why worry about rushing to the video store before it does and returning movies on time? Just hit up an online movie rental site and in a few steps, you will have movies at your doorstep.

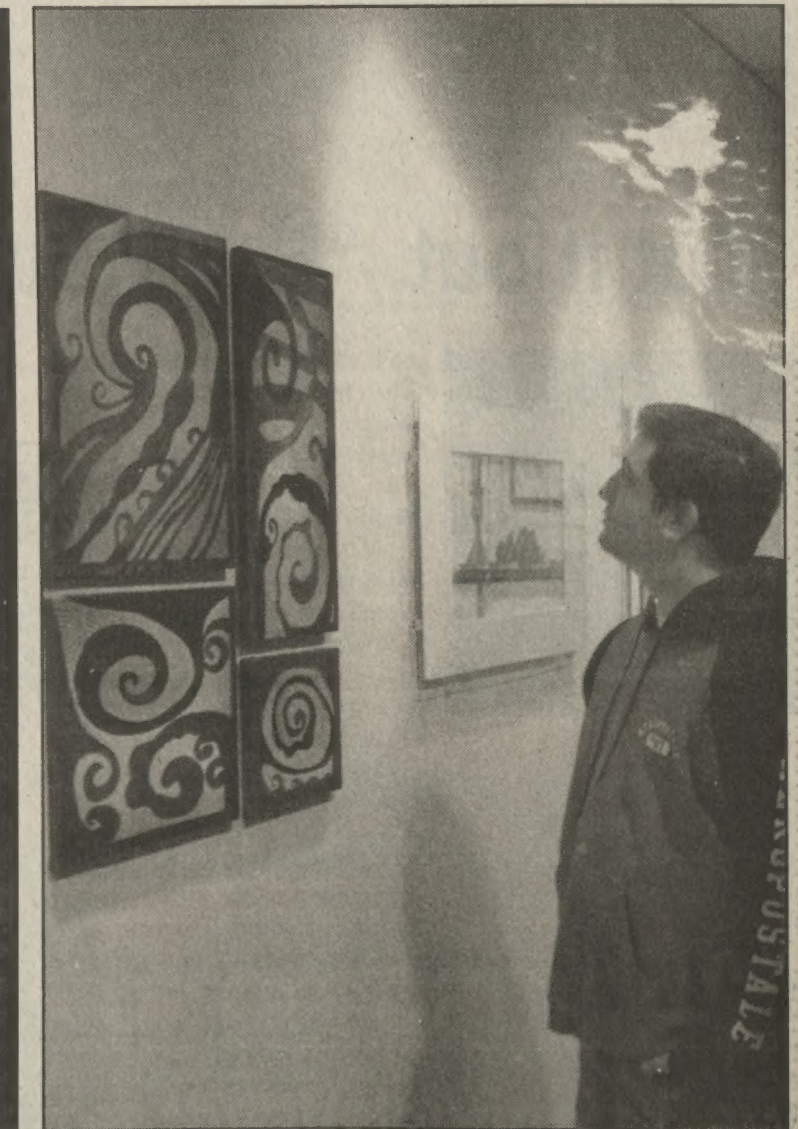


Seen and heard: events and exhibits on campus



Chris Baum/Flyer Photographer

Comedian Ben Bailey takes a seat after his performance in the Wicomico Room last Monday evening.



Lauren Larimer/Flyer Photographer

Artwork is currently on display in the Atrium Gallery. The exhibit shows off art work done by county high school students. It is part of their visual and performing arts programs at Wicomico, Bennett and Parkside high schools.

Sports

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Student Athlete Spotlight

Super senior Scott Byers tosses around the facts with *The Flyer's* sports Editor

By Kevin Froehlich
Sports Editor

As a super-senior pitcher for Salisbury's baseball team, Scott Byers has not only won many games with his arm, but also the hearts of many young ladies with his looks. When he's not fooling batters with his nasty change-up or lighting up the radar gun with his blistering fastball, you can spot him on the nearest dance floor working his magic. For this candid conversation I met Byers by the squat rack in the weight room where he spends countless hours perfecting every lift, from the dumbbell snatch to the medicine ball throw.

Is the team good enough to return to the World Series this year?
Yes.

In fall 2003 you suffered what appeared to be a season/career/life-ending injury only to make a T.O.-like comeback late in the year. How many hours did you spend in the hyperbaric chamber? Come on, shoot me straight.

I do like to compare my athletic ability to T.O. I'd say as many hours as Pat [Lamborn] would allow without disrupting my vigorous training regimen.

Can you please tell me why you killed my dog? I loved Trivix.

What the hell. (Laughs) Well, that's what you get for throwing furniture around my house when the Eagles lose.

Have you broken any SU baseball records?

I'm probably the only player to play five years at Salisbury, and I've got to be the only guy to hit five Gallaudet batters in one inning and still get the win by 30 runs.

You room with a younger guy. Does this mean you like all things young or just guys? When you're 23 and still in college there are not many people older than you. Besides, Eric Bush is wise beyond his years because of my teachings.

What do you expect from yourself this season?

I expect to help bring the team back to the World Series, hopefully win a National Championship and go out on a win since it's my last year.

You studied abroad in Ecuador this winter, a country well known for its cheap food, beer and women. How long was it before you took advantage of all three?

Not more than a day. Come on,



Chris Baum/Flyer Photographer

Scott Byers is the pitcher for the Salisbury baseball team, and has hopes for returning to the World Series this year.

I'm Scott Byers.

Coach Fleetwood notoriously mentions Chad Swiderski and Derek Harman as players who would "go to war on your ass." After you leave, will this duo become a Holy Trinity with Scott Byers in the feature role as the Holy Ghost?

Probably not, but hopefully he has

SU baseball ready to be a hit

By Aaron Boker
Staff Writer

After a successful 2004 campaign, Salisbury baseball is set to get it going again in 2005. Expectations are high after the Sea Gulls finished last season No. 8 in the American Baseball Coaches Association (ABCA) poll, were Southern Regional and Capital Athletic Conference (CAC) champions and appeared in the College World Series.

"Our expectations are to get to Regionals, and our goal is to win a national championship," Coach Doug Fleetwood said. "We got a lot of kids back. We got a good mix of veterans with our young kids and hopefully they've worked hard in the off-season and come back and go again."

The Sea Gulls, ranked 13th in the ABCA preseason poll, will expect solid play from all ends of the field. The infield is anchored by junior first basemen Nick

Pegelow, last year's CAC Player of the Year. Pegelow led the team with a .427 batting average while hitting four home runs and adding 44 RBI. Junior second basemen Greg Lemon will be another key factor after earning all-conference honors last season and getting a .307 batting average and 13 doubles.

The rest of the infield will give Salisbury an advantage. Senior David Sutton and freshman Brian Camper will cover shortstop while sophomore Jesse Trout, freshmen Mark Bostwick and freshmen Ryan McDougal play third base. The catcher position will have veterans Matt Johnson, B.J. Kirtle, Matt Foster and Pete Callahan to fill the role.

"People wear down or someone needs a day off, we can just get them [players] in there and give them the ball," said Fleetwood. The outfield is also stacked with

senior and NCAA South Regional MVP Mike Williams in left field. Williams posted a .358 batting average last season plus three home runs and 20 RBI. Over in right field is junior and all-conference Jason Lively, who contributed a .351 batting average, 48 runs scored and 21 stolen bases. Center field will be covered by sophomores Andrew Jensen and Brian Theibault.

The pitching rotation is headed by senior Greg Lasinski and junior Nick Dunk. Lasinski earned 2nd team All-American honors going 11-3 with 77 strikeouts and a 3.12 ERA while Dunk went 7-4 with a 3.43 ERA. Senior Scott Byers returns to the starting rotation after sitting out 2004 with an injury. Filling the rest of the rotation is juniors Eric Bush and Delaware Tech transfer Scott Manko. Sophomores Tom Howell, Paul Kellner, Dan Oleynik and Matt Peterson should play key

roles out of the bullpen.

Salisbury more than has the depth for competition, but a lot is going to be expected out of the players with a very hard schedule that features 10 games against teams that are ranked in the ABCA's preseason Top 30.

"Our schedule is one of the toughest in the country. We were the only conference to have three teams in the Regionals," said Fleetwood. "Every game is going to be a dog fight. Everyday is a certain task and we still have got to go to work."

The new season doesn't come without some new features added to the baseball field. New Astroturf was placed in the infield, the bleachers were refurbished, a new Sea Gulls' sign was placed second with 16:41.30.

Next, the women performed exceptionally well, placing ninth out of 14 teams. The women who set records were freshman Casey

SU Track and Field set records at Thomson Invitational

By Noah Wood
Staff Writer

The SU track and field team competed very well at the Thomson Invitational at the University of Delaware in Newark on Friday and Saturday. Both the men and the women set a significant amount of school records.

The men's team had some real awesome performances, helping them place fourth out of 14 teams. There were a great deal of personal improvements and records set by the men. Among them were senior Brandon Fields (fifth in the free weight throw with a school record of 50'5.25", breaking his 2004 school record of 49'1.5"), senior Tristan Gilbert (fifth in the 1000 meter dash with a school record of 2:32.73, shattering the 2003 school record of 2:38.96), sophomore Daryl Lee (fifth in the 500 meter with a school record of 1:08.65, narrowly breaking the 2003 school record of 1:09.06) and junior Will Murdoch (fifth in the 3000 meter run with a school record of 8:56.10, destroying the 2002 record of 9:13.83).

"The team as a whole performed very well and it was great to see so many records go down," Murdoch said. "It was great to set a new record this weekend, and I'm really looking forward to the conference championships and a chance to hit some more fast times."

In addition, Murdoch was followed by sophomore teammate Buck Stokes, fourth in the 3000 meter with a personal best of time of 9:12.30 (one second under the 2002 record).

Also, the men's 4X800 meter relay team won the relay event in 8:16.39. The relay team was composed of Gilbert, junior Scott Koehler, Lee and Murdoch. Finally, sophomore Greg Cooke won the 5000 meter run (the Division II and III heat) in 16:31.20, followed by teammate, senior Bob Shawhan, placing second with 16:41.30.

Next, the women performed exceptionally well, placing ninth out of 14 teams. The women who set records were freshman Casey

McInerney (fifth in the 1000 meter with a new record of 3:09.99, blowing away the 2001 record of 3:22.23), sophomore Calynn Offer (ninth with a new record of 8'10.25" in the pole vault, breaking the 2002 record of 8'6"), freshman Brianny Tesla (tied for third with a record of 5'11" and breaking the 2000 record of 5'0") and sophomore Ruth Hedrick (third in the 500 meter dash with a record of 1:22.05, beating the 2003 record of 1:26.50).

"We had an awesome meet on Saturday, setting eight total records," Hedrick said. "We are all proud and excited to see how we will do for the rest of the season into outdoor."

"Personally, I was proud of breaking the school record. I knew I could do it if I tried hard enough. Half the battle was mental and I felt really good about it." Hedrick also took seventh in the 60 meter high hurdles with a time of 10.11.

The number of records that the Sea Gulls set at the meet was a record in itself for the team. The task was not easy, especially since they had to rise to the challenge of many other Division I schools.

"Even though we had some people that didn't go because of injury and illness, we competed at a very high level against a number of Division I programs," head coach Jim Jones said. "If we can continue to rise to a high level of performance, we should do very well at conferences."

The conference championships are over a month away, but the Sea Gulls are not wasting any time at difficult practices and challenging meets in getting themselves geared up to contend for the CAC crown.

The next meet will be the George Mason Open at George Mason University on Saturday, then the Mason-Dixon Indoor Championships at Christopher Newport University the following Saturday. Both meets are in Virginia and there is little doubt that the Sea Gulls will improve upon their streak of excellence.

Salisbury Sports Calendar

February SU home games

Feb. 18-20: Men's and women's tennis host the Sea Gull Open

Feb. 19: Baseball (DH) vs. Elizabethtown at noon

Women's basketball vs. St. Mary's at 2 p.m.
Men's basketball vs. St. Mary's at 4 p.m.

Feb. 25: Baseball vs. Eastern at 2 p.m.
Men's lacrosse vs. Catholic at 3 p.m.

Feb. 26: Women's lacrosse vs. Christopher Newport at 1 p.m.
Women's tennis vs. Johns Hopkins at 2 p.m.

Feb. 27: Baseball (DH) vs. Staten Island at noon

Softball (DH) vs. Wesley at 1 p.m.

Women's tennis vs. Meredith at 10 a.m.

Sea Gull Sports Beat

By Kevin Froehlich
Sports Editor

BASEBALL

The baseball team opened its season Saturday at Chowan with a 7-7, 12 inning tie. Although striking out 16 times, the Gulls were able to mount a late-game comeback, scoring five runs over the seventh and eighth innings to not the game up. Neither team was able to produce anything offensively in the last four innings.

Greg Lemon was 2-5 with a double and an RBI to lead the SU (0-0-1) attack. Jason Lively also con-

tributed with two hits. Nick Pegelow (three RBI), Matt Johnson (two RBI), David Sutton (one RBI), Mike Williams and Mark Bostwick each had one hit.

Pitching on a strict pitch-count, starter Greg Lasinski went three innings, striking out four. Scott Byers, Eric Bush, Tom Howell and Lively combined to finish the rest of the game.

BASKETBALL

Both the men's and women's basketball teams fell this Saturday at Mary Washington. The women suf-

fered an 83-75 loss, while the men were downed 81-65.

Kiera Watkins' 18 points, nine rebounds and three assists paced the Lady Gulls (12-11, 6-6 CAC). Gen Olds had 11 points, four assists and three steals. Jessica Mills scored 13 points and Christen Barney and Meghan Phillips each added nine points for SU.

Rico Stewart led the men (8-15, 3-9) with 16 points and six rebounds. Matt Fohner and Segun Odumemu each had 14 points, with contributing 12 points for the Gulls.

Upcoming Concerts

Friday, February 18

Knights of Columbus in Salisbury
Doors open @ 5:30 p.m.

LINE-UP:

Derby Lane
Valor
More than a Monument
Watching Tigers Die
Cutlery - former members of
Downtown Singapore

Saturday, February 25

Elks Lodge in Milford, Del.
Time: TBA

LINE-UP:

Valor
Ascendin Red
Watching Tigers Die
The Media
Morning Abroad
The Eyes of Laura Mars

Heart of my Heart dinner

Vegetable Stir-Fry with Tofu
Herb Crusted Salmon
Malaysian Chicken Breast
Couscous
Garlic Roasted Potatoes with Olives
Tarragon Green Beans
Italian Spinach with Garlic & Olive Oil
Black Olive Bread
Low Fat Cheesecake
Low Fat Tiramisu
Low Fat Cherry Crisp

5-7 p.m.

In The Bistro

Friday, February 18

In Conjunction with "Through The Needle's Eye" Embroiderers' Guild Opening Reception

Lady Gulls fall to Marymount

By Shawn Nisson
Staff Writer

With fewer than 20 seconds remaining in the game, long after it has been wrapped up, Christen Barney stole the ball and drove into the lane for a lay-up but missed, along with the follow up attempts from her teammates. The hustle coming from the Gulls on Wednesday night was undeniable yet their shots would not fall, shooting a woeful 28.2 percent (20 for 71) for the game. Even after Marymount had accumulated an

insurmountable lead the Gulls kept fighting, kept trying to crawl back into the game. But the shooting just was not there, leading to the disheartening 85-63 defeat.

The game was plagued early with cold shooting from both teams, paired with sloppy attempts at the offensive end of the floor, leading to Marymount's 8-6 lead. Unfortunately for the Gulls (12-10, 6-5 CAC), the Saints cold shooting wouldn't last for long as over the next five minutes Marymount went on a 14-5 run

inflating their lead to 11 at 22-11.

The two teams went back and forth matching each other's production. A spurt from the Gulls got them to within four with 6:30 left in the first half at 28-24, but that proved to be as close as the Gulls would get for the rest of the night. The Saints (13-9, 8-3) lead was back to 11 with 5:16 left in the first half.

An exciting 3-pointer from guard Megan Phillips at the buzzer cut the Saints lead back to nine. The Saints led by as much as 14 in

the first half, coming from incredible team shooting of 58.8 percent in the first half and 52.5 percent for the entire game. The Gulls first half was terrorized by sloppy offense, turnovers and no matter how open the shot the inability to make it fall.

The second half saw the Saints' lead fluctuate between 13 and 18 for the most part, with the Gulls continuing to try to fight and crawl their way back into the game. The poor shooting denied them of any chance of making their way back into the game however.

Kiera Watkins lead the Gulls with 14 points and seven rebounds. Christen Barney registered 12 points and Jessica Mills grabbed six rebounds. The Saints had five players in double figures, paced by Katie Armentrout's game-high 18 points and six rebounds. Kacey Grogan pulled down a game-high 11 rebounds and 10 points.

"I love the hustle. The team didn't give up until the end of the game with the steal from Christen," coach Bridget Benshetler said. "You will not see one of my teams quit."

The Gulls are home again next Saturday when they face off with St. Mary's at 2 p.m. in Maggs gymnasium.



Above: Kiera Watkins (32) and Khristen Barney (4) look on as their teammate fights for a jump ball. Left: Kat Kordal, junior, out-wits defenders and takes a shot. Below: Katie MacFarland, sophomore, shoots over her defender in an ultimately disappointing game last Saturday.

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Gulls show lots of heart in tough loss

By Jeff Mizia
Staff Writer

The SU men's basketball team lost another tough game Wednesday night, this time against Marymount 62-58. The Sea Gulls took the lead into halftime 23-19 in large part to their tough defense, which they were able to capitalize off with 15 first half points.

The second half was a different story offensively for Marymount (8-12, 4-7 CAC), as they were able to shoot 62.5% from the floor, with 12 of their 43 second half points coming from inside the paint. The Saints were led in the scoring department with 15 by Ed Carrai and 14 by Kip McCoy. Carrai also contributed to the win with 9 rebounds.

The Gulls (8-14, 3-7) did however show a lot of heart in the final five minutes. The strong effort in the final minutes was in large part to Salisbury's bench, who in whole kept the Gulls in the game with a strong 37-point effort. Free throws also kept the Gulls in the game, shooting 84.4 percent from the line.

After a huge turnover by the Saints, the Gulls had a chance with less than 10 seconds to play. Segun Odumeru had two chances to tie the game and send it into overtime, but was unable to drop it down. Odumeru contributed 10 points and 5 rebounds, while guard Ray Williams had a great shooting effort by contributing 20 points, 12 of them coming from behind the arc.

The win pushes the Saints above the Gulls in the conference standings, but look for Salisbury to

improve in the standings if they can continue their strong defensive effort and if they can continue to show how tough they are, especially in the final minutes as they were able

to in Wednesday night's game. After another tough loss the Gulls look to rebound at Catholic on Wednesday as they get even closer to the conference tournament.



Chris Baum/Flyer Photographer

Ray Williams goes up for a basket while being guarded by Marymount's Kip McCoy during Salisbury's loss on Wednesday.

Rugby determined to repeat past successes

By Angelo Torres
Staff Writer

SU men's rugby has begun its pursuit of their second national title in as many years, potentially their fourth in club history. Led by Coach Robert (Doc) Davis, the men's rugby team has developed into a prominent program. Under Davis, the Cardsharks won back-to-back NCAA Division II championships in 1996-1997. No strangers to championship hardware, the Men's Rugby program is hoping for another trip to the NCAA final-four at Stanford.

The road to the final four began last weekend with the Cardsharks traveling down south for a match against the UNC Tar Heels. The Sharks found themselves losing at half-time, 20-12. In the second half SU mounted their comeback.

"We weren't playing Salisbury rugby," Ashton Thomas said. "We had to go out there and show that they weren't better than us."

SU came from behind and defeated the Heels 35-20 on the strength of a second half defensive shut-out.

"That's why our conditioning is so important. We're more of a second half team," Nick DiMichelle said. Scoring came from two tries by Brian Coon, two by Adam Tulley and tries by Matt Carroll and Captain Brett Friel.

The Carolina game put SU back into the win column after a disappointing exit in the PRU finals in November. Losing to Georgetown put a 27 game winning streak to an end and created a lower MARFU spring seeding. As a result, SU will play The College of New Jersey March 26. According to the players, SU

rugby is prepared for the road ahead.

"We're now the underdogs, and we're hungry," Jeffrey Childs said.



Maria DeForrest

"We have been working a lot harder in practices," Erik Woodworth said. "Everyone has come back and we are

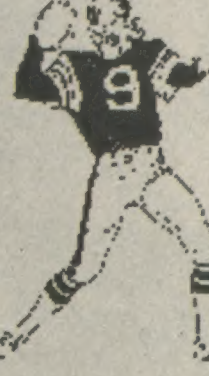
ready to take on any spring opponent."

Adjustments in positions have been made for this spring. Wayne Winn moves from scrum-half to fly-half as President Matt Crowder switches from the fly to the scrum. Tulley will play inside-center and Chris Sams will play wing. Thomas will move to second row.

"The position changes are creating more speed at the wings," DiMichelle said.

Aside from position moves, a number of players are returning from injury. Most notable are the returns of Tulley and Tony Magnolia. Tulley returns from a shoulder injury and Magnolia is likely to return from a broken foot in time for the MARFU tournament in late March.

SU rugby has two bye weeks before hosting the Temple Owls on February 26 and the University of Maryland the following weekend.



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